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The American Cancer Society reports that roughly 77,000 women annually in the United States are diagnosed with a reproductive cancer. In California alone, more than 8,000 women will learn that they have a gynecologic cancer, nearly 2,000 of them residing here in the County of Los Angeles.

Many of these cancers can be prevented and others can be diagnosed and treated at an earlier and more curable stage. Working together, we can help provide women with information about available screening and the signs and symptoms of these cancers to watch out for, so that they can seek medical care before it's too late.

The Cedars-Sinai Women's Cancer Research Institute at the Samuel Oschin Comprehensive Cancer Institute collaborates each September with the Gynecologic Cancer Foundation (GCF), a non-profit educational organization, to help promote that month nationwide to raise awareness about women's reproductive cancers.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE THAT the Board of Supervisors hereby proclaim September 2006 as "Gynecologic Cancer Awareness Month" in the County of Los Angeles, and all residents are urged to better familiarize themselves with information regarding these dangerous but often treatable forms of cancer.

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